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SUBJECT: NORWEGIAN REQUEST U.S. PARTICIPATION IN JUNE AIR  
POLLUTION CONFERENCE

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1. NORWEGIAN AUTHORITIES ARE EXTREMELY GRATEFUL TO  
US/EPA FOR PROMPT AND POSITIVE RESPONSE MAKING DR.  
JOHN KNELSON AND, IF NECESSARY, DR. DAVID COFFIN  
AVAILABLE FOR JUNE 14-19 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE  
IN NORWAY ON ACID PRECIPITATION. NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT  
WILL PAY EXPENSES OF EITHER KNELSON OR COFFIN, DE-  
PENDING UPON WHICH ONE IS AVAILABLE. US OFFICIAL WILL  
BE SERVING AS A CONFERENCE EXPERT AND HE SHOULD PLAN  
SUBMIT PAPER BY MARCH 31 ON "EFFECTS OF SULFUR DIOXIDE  
AND SULFATE PARTICLES ON HUMAN HEALTH", AS OUTLINED  
IN DEC 9, 1975, LETTER FROM NORWEGIAN ENVIRONMENT  
MINISTRY DIRECTOR GENERAL LYKKE TO KNELSON. LYKKE  
WILL RESUME CONTACT WITH KNELSON ON SUBJECT OF PAR-  
TICIPATION.

2. OTHER U.S. EXPERTS HAVE BEEN ASKED TO PARTICIPATE  
AS CONFERENCE EXPERTS, INCLUDING PROF. CARL SCHOFIELD  
OF NEW YORK STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND LIFE  
SCIENCES, CORNELL UNIVERSITY WHO IS ASKED SPEAK ON  
"EFFECTS OF ACID PRECIPITATION ON SALMONID FISHES",  
CORNELL UNIV. WHO IS ASKED DISCUSS "HYDRO-CHEMICAL  
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AND HYDRO-BIOLOGICAL CHANGES CAUSED BY ACID PRECIPI-

TATION."

3. IN ADDITION TO THESE "CONFERENCE EXPERTS", NOR-  
WEGIANS HAVE INVITED US BY DIPLOMATIC NOTE OF NOV. 12,  
1975, TO SEND "SCIENTISTS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS"  
TO PARTICIPATE IN CONFERENCE. LYKKE HOPES GOVERN-  
MENTS WILL DESIGNATE SUCH OFFICIALS, BUT HE SAYS IT  
MAY WELL BE POSSIBLE FOR THE "CONFERENCE EXPERTS"  
TO ACT AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS AFTER  
THEIR EXPERT ROLE IS COMPLETED. NATURALLY, NOR-  
WEGIANS WOULD PREFER TO HAVE GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE  
IN ADDITION TO CONFERENCE EXPERTS, AND OTHER US  
TECHNICAL EXPERTS AND OFFICIALS ARE ENCOURAGED TO  
ATTEND.

4. CONFERENCE WILL IN FACT BE BROAD GAUGED DISCUSSION  
OF THE "EFFECTS OF ACID PRECIPITATION". IT WILL SEEK  
TO CONSIDER ALL MAJOR ASPECTS OF SULFUR DIOXIDE  
EMISSIONS ON MATERIALS, CLIMATE AND HUMAN HEALTH.  
EMPHASIS WILL BE PLACED TO SOME EXTENT ON LONG RANGE  
TRANSPORTATION, SINCE GOAL IS TO SET STAGE FOR RE-  
GULATORY ACTION OF ACID PRECIPITATION.

5. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE BEING KEPT INFORMED OF  
U.S. PARTICIPATION AND WILL GLADLY ASSIST REPRESENTATIVES AS  
APPROPRIATE.  
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